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CONCORD, NH – On April 2, 2015 at approximately 10:15 AM officers from the Concord Police Department arrested



James A. Gagne, age 21
Manchester Street
Concord, NH 03301

For the following crimes:

BURGLARY (RSA 635:1 Class A Fel)
POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED DRUGS x2 (RSA 318-B:2,1 Class B Fel)

On April 2, 2015 at approximately 1014 an Officer responded to the area of Fairfield Drive for the report of a woman who had woken up to find an unknown male inside her home. Upon finding the male, the woman told him to leave and he did.

The woman reported that she had woken up to find a male subject standing in her bedroom. She said that the male subject told her his name was James and that he was going door to door looking for work. He allegedly told the woman that he had found her door open and entered the home to “check her welfare”. The woman described the suspect as a white male in his early twenties, wearing a black baseball cap, and black sweatshirt with pink lettering.

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After the male subject left the home, the woman discovered her purse lying on the floor next to the door of her bedroom where the subject had been standing. The woman reported that that a quantity of cash and a debit card were missing from the purse.

An officer conducting a check of the area observed a male subject fitting the suspect's description near 85 Manchester Street. The officer detained the subject and identified him as James Gagne. Gagne was wearing a black sweatshirt with pink lettering, as described by the victim. A short time later the female victim was able to positively identify Gagne as the person who had entered her home.

Gagne was booked at Concord PD, refused bail and was transported to the Merrimack County House of Corrections. Shortly after arrival at the Merrimack County House of Corrections, Gagne was searched. During this search a small bag containing a white powdery substance and a clear rock-shaped object were found in his possession. The bag containing the powdery substance was identified as heroin and the small clear rock was identified as cocaine.

Gagne will be arraigned April 3, 2015 at the 6th Circuit – District Division – Concord (Concord District Court).

As a result of this arrest, the Concord Police executed multiple searches at 4 separate locations in both Concord and Loudon. A quantity of evidence was recovered related to this and other burglaries and thefts which have occurred on Manchester Street, Spruce Street and Mountain Road. Additional charges are forthcoming.

Based on witness statements, it is suspected that Gagne had a practice of going door-to-door asking for work. It is suspected that he would steal property from homeowners when the opportunity arose.

Police are asking the public to please call them or the Concord Regional Crimeline (603-226-3100) if they have any information about these alleged crimes.

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